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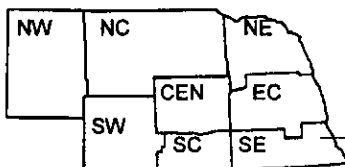
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WEATHER

Temperatures for the week averaged from normal to only two degrees below normals across the State. Precipitation was light across the State with amounts ranging from traces to nearly a half inch.

GENERAL

Good harvesting weather promoted active corn and sorghum harvest last week, with less than 15% of the corn crop remaining to be combined as of Sunday, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Harvest loss continued to be noted in fields damaged by high winds which occurred two weeks ago. Other fieldwork activities included completing sugar beet harvest, harvesting sunflowers in the west, after-harvest tillage, applying fertilizer, fencing stalks, and working cattle.

CROPS

Corn grain harvest was 86% complete, slightly behind 87% last year and ahead of 80% average.

CROPS (Cont.)

Reports from the south and east indicated a shortage of grain storage at some elevators and some piling of grain on the ground. Harvest activities were most advanced in east central counties with over 90% combined as of Sunday.

Sorghum grain harvest was 80% complete, behind 100% last year and the average of 92%. Harvest in northeast counties was most advanced with 98% cut. Reports of sorghum being piled on the ground at elevators as storage demands increase.

Winter wheat condition rated 2% poor, 24% fair, 68% good, and 6% excellent. Moisture is needed in most areas.

LIVESTOCK, PASTURE & RANGE

Producer activities included weaning calves and moving cows to stalks for gleanings. Some calves were being moved to feedlots.

FIELD WORK PROGRESS AS OF NOVEMBER 10, 1996	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	AVER- AGE
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE				
% Corn Harvested	89	89	82	85	91	83	86	84	86	71	87	80
% Sorghum Harvested	n/a	91	98	95	83	72	89	77	80	59	100	92
DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION AS OF NOVEMBER 8, 1996												
Days suitable	6.5	6.9	6.4	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.0	5.8	6.6	5.7	6.1	
Topsoil moisture - Very Short	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	3	1	3	
(Percent) - Short	11	11	22	39	48	26	29	33	26	23	25	
- Adequate	88	89	69	60	34	73	71	67	69	73	66	
- Surplus	1	0	9	1	0	1	0	0	2	3	6	
Subsoil moisture - Very Short	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	7	
(Percent) - Short	10	6	13	34	45	6	14	18	17	13	32	
- Adequate	90	94	78	64	53	92	86	76	80	84	60	
- Surplus	0	0	9	2	0	2	0	6	3	2	1	

n/a = not available.

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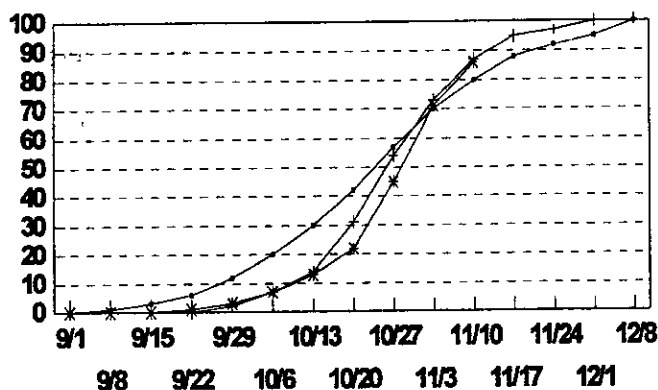
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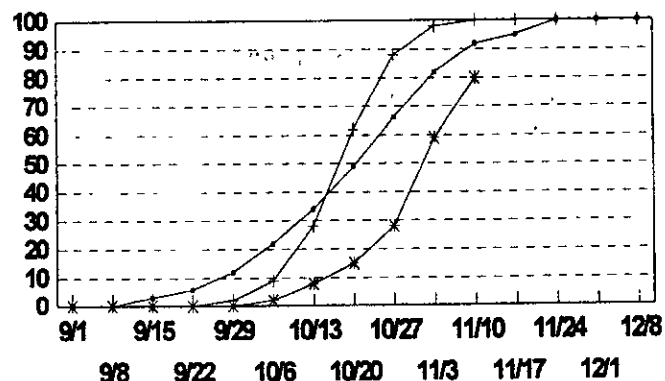
5 YEAR AVG 1995 1996

PROGRESS AS OF SUNDAY

SORGHUM

HARVESTED FOR GRAIN

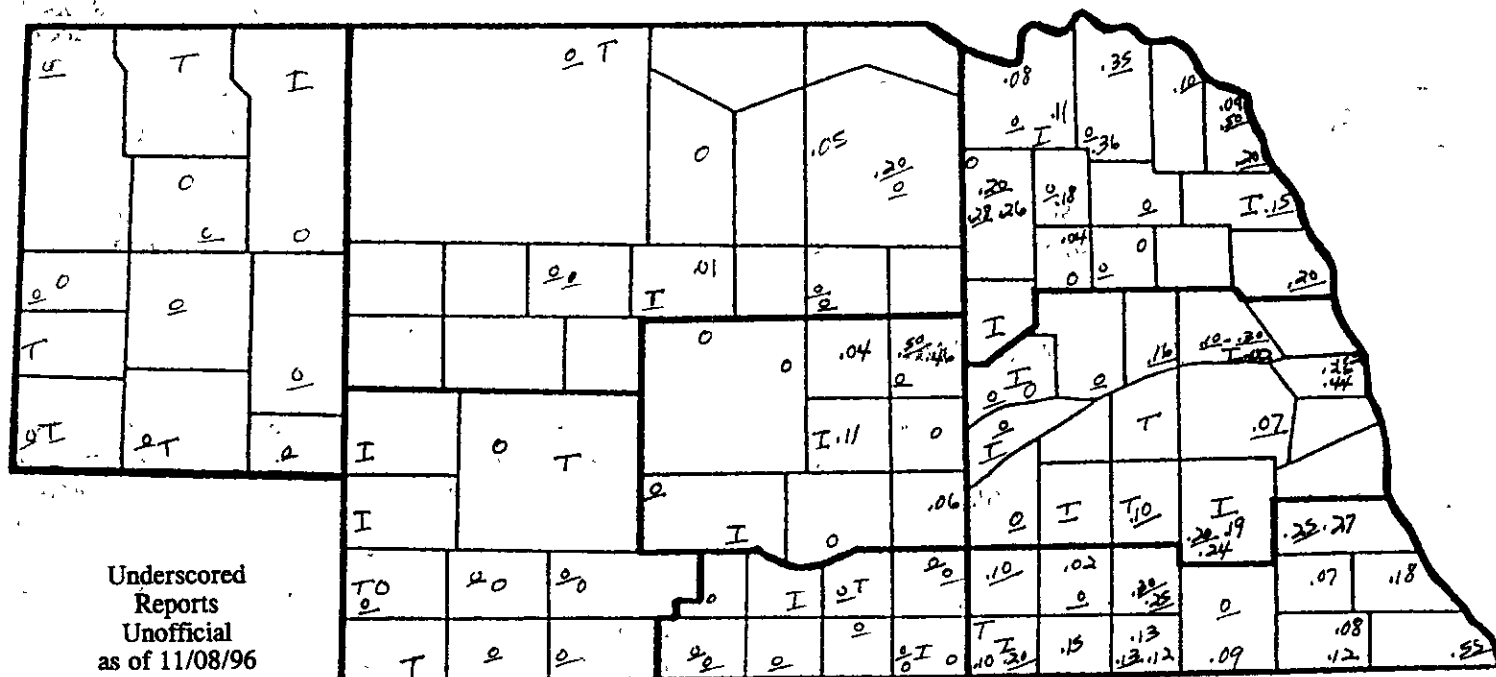
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PROGRESS AS OF SUNDAY

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1996



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1996

Station	Temperature				Precipitation
	Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches
	Max	Min			
NW Chadron	66	20	38	---	T
Scottsbluff	67	14	38	-2	0
Sidney	67	19	40	---	T
NC Valentine	70	20	38	-1	T
NE Norfolk	67	19	40	-1	.04
Sioux City	64	21	41	-1	.09
CEN Grand Island	68	21	42	0	.06
Ord	65	16	40	---	.04
EC Lincoln	65	25	42	-2	.19
Omaha	63	27	43	-1	.26
SW Imperial	68	17	43	---	T
North Platte	67	18	40	0	T